

RULEMAKING NOTICE FORM

Notice Number _____

Rule Number Env-Wq 800 (currently Env-Ws 800)

1. Agency Name & Address:

Department of Environmental Services
29 Hazen Drive
P.O. Box 95
Concord, NH 03302-0095

2. RSA Authority: RSA 485-A:4, XVI-b; RSA 485-A:6, X-a

3. Federal Authority: N/A

4. Type of Action:

Adoption _____

Amendment _____

Repeal _____

Readoption _____

Readoption w/amendment **X**

5. Short Title: Sludge Management Rules

6. (a) Summary of what the rule says and the effect of the rule on those regulated:

Env-Ws 800 contains the requirements and standards for the management, processing, recycling, and disposal of sludge generated by wastewater treatment. Testing requirements and chemical criteria are included for the land application of municipal sewage sludge and industrial sludge. The proposed amendments add the statutory definitions for “biosolids” and “short paper fiber” to the rules and make other editorial revisions for clarity. The rules are being readopted as Env-Wq 800 as part of the Department’s larger redesignation efforts.

6. (b) Brief description of the groups affected:

The rules affect any owner or operator of a wastewater treatment plant that generates sludge, a land application site, or a facility that otherwise treats, manages, or disposes of sludge.

6. (c) Specific section or sections of state statute or federal statute or regulation which the rule is intended to implement:

Rule Section(s)	State Statute(s) Implemented
Env-Wq 800 (see also specific part listed below)	RSA 485-A:4, XVI-b; RSA 485-A:6, X-a
Env-Wq 811	RSA 541-A:22, IV

7. Contact person for copies and questions including requests to accommodate persons with disabilities:

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8. Deadline for submission of materials in writing or, if practicable for the agency, in the electronic format specified: **4:00 pm on Thursday September 28, 2006**

☒ Fax

☒ E-mail

☐ Other format (specify):

9. Public hearing scheduled for:

Date and Time: **Monday September 18, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.**

Place: **Auditorium, DES Offices, 29 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH**

10. Fiscal Impact Statement (Prepared by Legislative Budget Assistant)

FIS # 06:138 , dated 8/14/06

See Attached.

11. Statement Relative to Part I, Article 28-a of the N.H. Constitution:

These rules do not create, modify, or expand any program in a way that requires expenditures by political subdivisions, and so do not violate Part I, Article 28-a of the N.H. Constitution.